

# The Daily Astorian.

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## PRO RATA.

THE editor of the *Corvallis Gazette* is in receipt of a letter from Congressman Hermann in which that gentleman states he is making special effort to secure a \$160,000 appropriation for Yaquina bay. That is all right—if he thinks it is, but as Mr. H. is the only congressman Oregon has, we question the propriety of his concentrating all his energy in the furtherance of any particular locality's interests.

THE ASTORIAN would be glad to see Yaquina bay get half a million, for whatever helps one part of the state helps all, but due regard for the "eternal fitness of things" suggests that the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Columbia is the work of prime importance. This is not an expression of opinion; it is a statement of facts—facts that can be proved by statistics—facts that are universally conceded. Mr. Hermann's zeal for the section of the state tributary to Yaquina bay is commendable. Far be it from us to deny or question the honorable gentleman's right to make strenuous and special effort to get a big appropriation for Yaquina. But in justice to the great commonwealth that he has the honor to represent; in the name of 300,000 people directly interested in this matter, THE ASTORIAN begs Mr. Hermann to remember that he is not a special advocate; he is the representative of the sovereign state of Oregon, and as her representative the state merits and expects equal justice to all sections.

It may be that the *Gazette* misrepresents our congressional representative, but in one place it publishes an extract from a letter that Congressman Hermann writes in which he says:

"I have procured the engineers' charts, and have some sample productions from there, and am possessed of all data and argument essential for the just defense of the beautiful harbor of Yaquina."

Now it does not appear that Yaquina needs any "defense" particularly, and if she does it is not seemly that the representative of the state should constitute himself the especial champion of a place where, according to the same issue of the *Gazette*, a post office has just been established.

When Mr. H. got the nomination in Portland in May, 1884, we were among the delegates and heard him make some very pretty promises. We sincerely hope that Mr. H.'s promises do not resemble pie crust in the principal characteristic feature of that fragile substance.

## OF VERY WIDE SCOPE.

THE "special" attention of Congressman Hermann is directed to the fact, (not surmise or supposition, but FACT) that in 1880 the value of the cargoes that crossed the Columbia river bar, was \$1,181,352; in 1885 the aggregate value of the cargoes crossing out was \$13,600,000. The work of improving the bar, that ten times \$15,600,000 can annually go out was begun in 1885. It is for the representative from Oregon to use all honorable means to aid in securing fitting appropriation for the continuance of this great work.

This is not the local interest of Astoria; it is not the state requirements of Oregon; it is not the need solely of the 300,000 dwellers on the west banks of the great river west of the Rocky mountains; every grain producer and grain consumer in Oregon, Washington, Montana and Idaho is interested; every shipper or purchaser in London, Liverpool or New York; every ship owner or charterer throughout the confines of civilization from Boston to Canton, from Sydney to Antwerp—all are interested in this great work.

Has our representative from Oregon due sense of his responsibility?

Is the horizon of his vision as wide as its necessities require? or is he gazing steadfastly at Yaquina city—where a post-office was established last week?

## OUR CONGRATULATIONS.

It is with sincere pleasure THE ASTORIAN learns that the directors of the N. P. R. R. have let the contract for the tunnel through the Cascades, which means active completion of the main line to its terminus on Puget Sound. This is but the fulfillment of the original plan of the company, a plan that the events of two years ago necessarily deferred.

When Villard abdicated in January 1884, the existing and resultant embarrassments made it impossible for the corporation to carry out its intentions. Now it is in better shape, financial and otherwise, and proposes to go ahead with the line of the road to a salt water terminus.

With no less satisfaction than Tacomaites, do the citizens of Astoria learn that this plan is in a fair way to be realized. This is due primarily to a sense of justice, secondarily to the future that it so grandly hastens. In all sincerity we congratulate our northern neighbors on the situation, and shall be glad to see the tunnel built, the road completed and the trains on the main line of the Northern Pacific railroad running from St. Paul to the western ocean terminus of the line. As things are, nothing from that source could be of so much resultant benefit to Astoria and the interests of the Columbia river—of commerce.

For as things are and have been, the advantages of Astoria's location have been overlooked. The cream of the grain carrying trade has gone elsewhere; ships have been dragged up and down through 220 miles of tortuous river channels and the business diverted from its natural entrepot. Till the Northern Pacific line is built to Tacoma the existing order of things will obtain. With that line completed the natural advantages of Astoria will be realized and its superiority as a loading port will be recognized and utilized. The present corporate system will be forced in self defense to active rivalry, and the merits of the seaport of Oregon be at length appreciated.

This is the reason, apart from the general progress of the northwest, that we are pleased at the news, pleased to know that the N. P. R. R. has thrown off its inaction and is doing now what it doubtless would have done three years ago if it could.

As for possible rivalry between Tacoma and Astoria, the future and its developments will be the best comment. Astoria has waited and can afford to wait. Tacoma and Astoria are now about the same size; probably our sister city has a thousand or fifteen hundred more people; the building of the road will cause her to grow more rapidly than she would were the road not built, but with the immeasurably superior advantages that we possess, coupled with the new regime made certain by the completion of competing lines, we can well afford to abide by the result. Tacoma will attain respectable size and be an important point but Astoria will be the city at whose wharves commerce will load and unload and the metropolis of the northwest, not this year, nor next, nor yet the next, but in time, a time nearer, perhaps, than many of us now realize. This is why THE ASTORIAN is pleased to know that the Cascade tunnel is soon to be begun, and that the N. P. R. R. Co. is getting ready to spend \$4,000,000 in completing what is usually called "the Cascade branch."

THE secretary of war has submitted to the president the report of the fortification board. It is estimated that it will require about \$126,000,000 to establish a good system of defenses. Recommendation is made that an appropriation of \$21,000,000 be made at the

present session of congress, to secure the necessary plans for beginning the construction of such heavy ordnance as will be required. The board also suggests the establishment of two government foundries, and recommends the construction of torpedo boats for harbor protection.

THE senate committee on public lands is looking into decisions of the commissioner of the general land office, with a view to discover what if any legislation is necessary to secure the government against fraud, and at the same time prevent interference with the rights and privileges of honest settlers upon public lands.

## NEW TO-DAY.

### Chamber of Commerce.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ASTORIA Chamber of Commerce, for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held to-morrow (Monday) at 7:30 P. M., at President Beverly's office. A full attendance is requested.

E. C. HOLDEN, Secretary.

### Meeting Notice.

THE BOARD OF PILOT COMMISSIONERS for Columbia Bar and River will meet at Astoria, Monday, Jan. 22, G. W. JOHNSON, Secy.

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